

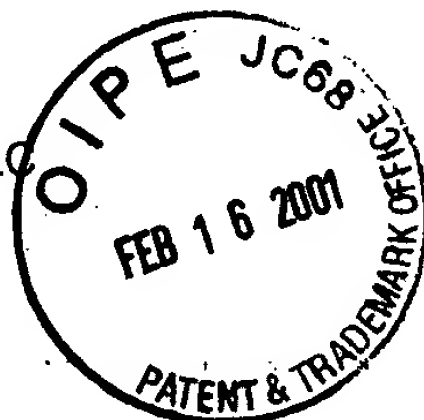


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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An Abstract not to exceed 150 words in length, commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.72(b)).

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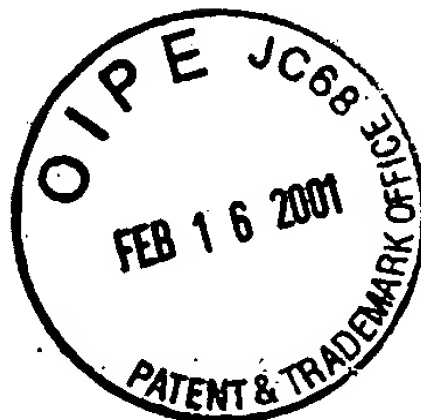
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**SUBMISSION OF REVISED ABSTRACT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §172 (b)**

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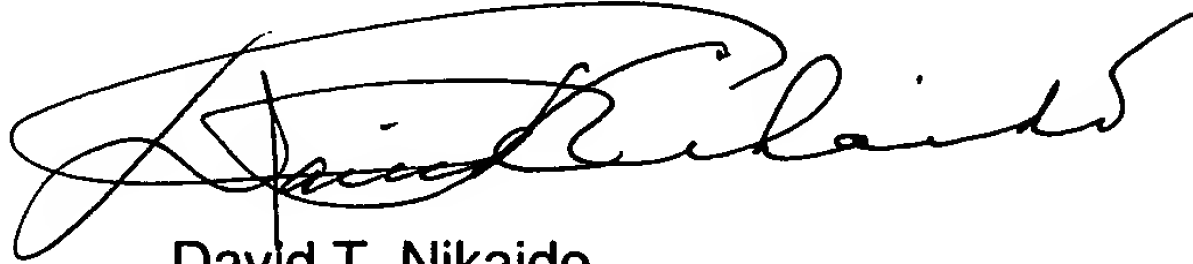
The following is submitted in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated January 18, 2001. The reason for the Notice is that the Abstract exceeds 150 words.

Accordingly, a revised Abstract is submitted herewith which is now believed to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 172(b). Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the revised Abstract be entered and that examination on the merits proceed.

In the event that any fees are due in connection with this paper, please  
charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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